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CLAIMS:

1. A game apparatus having an indicia selecting means including a rotatable
5 wheel having a plurality of selectable regions, each region associated with playing
card indicia, and a means for randomly selecting a selectable region of the wheel;
and a wagering area adapted for positioning wagers concerning the indicia
associated with the region selected by a single operation of the indicia selecting
means.
- 10 2. The game apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the rotatable wheel is
capable of rotation about a substantially vertical axis.
3. The game apparatus according to claim 1 or 2 wherein the rotatable wheel
15 has 40, 41, 42, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54 or 62 regions.
4. The game apparatus according to claim 3 wherein the rotatable wheel has:-
 - a) 40 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to
four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10; or
 - 20 b) 40 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to
four different suits of the numbers 4 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, or
 - c) 41 regions and therewith corresponding to four different suits of the
numbers 1 to 10 and a single Joker or other wildcard; or
 - d) 41 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to
25 four different suits of the numbers 4 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and
a single Joker, Ace or other wildcard; or
 - e) 42 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to
four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10 and two Joker or other wildcards;
or

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- f) 42 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 4 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and two Jokers, or two Aces, or a Joker and an Ace or two other wildcards; or
- g) 48 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King; or
- h) 49 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and a single Ace, Joker or other wildcard; or
- i) 50 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and two Jokers or two Aces or a Joker and an Ace or two other wildcards; or
- j) 52 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10, and Jack, Queen and King; or
- k) 53 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10, and Jack, Queen and King; and a single Joker or Ace or other wildcard; or
- l) 54 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10, and Jack, Queen and King, and two Jokers or two Aces or a Joker and an Ace or two other wildcards; or
- m) 62 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to five different suits and two Jokers or other wildcards.

5. The game apparatus according to claim 4 wherein the rotatable wheel has 49 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and a single Ace, Joker or other wildcard.

6. The game apparatus according to claim 4 wherein the rotatable wheel has 50 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and two Jokers or two Aces or a Joker and an Ace or two other wildcards.

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7. The game apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 6 wherein the
wager area includes a region having thereon the numbers 2 to 10, and associated
with each number is indicia corresponding to the suits of clubs, diamonds, hearts
5 and spades.

8. The game apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 7 wherein the
wager area includes a region having thereon indicia for signifying the making of a
wager on the suit of the indicia associated with the region selected by a single
10 operation of the indicia selecting means.

9. The game apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 8 further including
a means for recording the outcome of one or more previous operations of the
indicia selecting means.

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10. A method of effecting an economic outcome between one or more players
and an operator, which method includes using a game apparatus having an indicia
selecting means including a rotatable wheel having a plurality of selectable
regions, each region associated with playing card indicia, and a means for
20 randomly selecting a selectable region of the wheel; and a wagering area adapted
for positioning wagers concerning the indicia associated to the region selected by
a single operation of the indicia selecting means, the method including the steps
of: -

a) a wagering phase wherein each player providing a cash or token wager on the
25 wagering area, the location of wager defining the win or lose conditions of that
wager;

b) an operation phase after the wagering phase wherein the rotatable wheel is
rotated and a ball is located on a rotating wheel, in a manner capable of
30 randomly selecting a region of the wheel;

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- c) an outcome phase wherein the ball becomes located on a region of the wheel, and thereby selects that region and indicia associated thereto;
 - d) a result phase after the outcome phase wherein an assessment of each wager of each player is effected by comparing the selected indicia of the wheel to the win or lose conditions of the players wager and effecting a payment of cash or tokens in response to a result of the comparison.
11. The method according to claim 10 when performed using the game apparatus according to any one of claim 1 to 10.
12. The method according to claim 11 when the results phase includes an assessment as to whether the win or lose conditions of a jackpot wager have been fulfilled and effecting a payment of cash or tokens in response to the assessment.
13. The method of claim 12 wherein the win or lose conditions of the jackpot wager depend on the outcome of up to five consecutive operations of the game apparatus.
14. The method of claim 13 wherein the win or lose conditions of the jackpot wager depend on whether the indicia selected by five consecutive operations of the game apparatus are equivalent to predetermined poker hands.
15. An electronic game for effecting an economic outcome between a player of the game and the provider of the game, the game including the steps of: -
- a) a wagering phase wherein the player makes a wager by selecting a location in a wagering area, the location of wager defining the win or lose conditions of that wager;
 - b) an operation phase after the wagering phase wherein the player is electronically displayed a rotating wheel having a plurality of selectable

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regions, each region associated with playing card indicia, and a ball located on a rotating wheel for identifying a randomly selecting a region of the wheel;

- 5 c) an outcome phase wherein the ball is displayed located on a randomly selected region of the wheel, to thereby display to the player the selected region and indicia associated thereto;
- 10 d) a result phase after the outcome phase wherein an assessment of each wager of the player is effected by comparing the selected indicia of the wheel to the win or lose conditions of the players wager and effecting a payment of cash or tokens in response to a result of the comparison.

16. A table adapted for use with the game apparatus of any one of claims 1 to 9 or the method of any one of claim 10 to 14, the table including a wagering area
15 having marked zones for the placement of the wagers having different win and lose conditions.

17. A casino or gambling house that includes game apparatus of any one of claims 1 to 9, or operates, manages or controls the game operations of the
20 electronic game of claim 15.

18. The game apparatus substantially as hereinbefore described with reference to the figures.

25 19. The wagering area substantially as hereinbefore described with reference to the figures.